

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM**

Property Name: Bridge 1800600 Inventory Number: SM-510

Address: MD 5 over St. Mary's River, Great Mills, Maryland, St. Mary's County

Owner: Maryland State Highway Administration

Tax Parcel Number: _____ Tax Map Number: _____

Project MD 5 Bridge 1800600 over St. Mary's River, Project No. 2 Agency State Highway Administration (SHA)

Site visit by SHA Staff: no X yes Name: Kelly Steele Date: 05/11/2000

Eligibility recommended Eligibility **not** recommended X

Criteria A B X C D Considerations: A B C D E F G X None

Is property located within a historic district?: X no yes Name of District: _____

Is district listed?: X no yes

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Project Review and Compliance Files

Description of Property and Eligibility Determination *(Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map and photo)*

Bridge 1800600 is a 1956 steel girder bridge that was constructed over an existing 1950 concrete girder bridge. The structure contains concrete sidewalks along either side of the road and extends two spans: one 35' long and the other 39'. Slatted, metal parapets run along the sidewalks, and unornamented concrete transition walls flank the metal parapets. Modern guardrails attach to the concrete walls at the east end of the bridge. Evidence of the 1950 structure is not apparent from the roadway or adjacent properties. However, 1950 concrete girder members exist within the structural system, and can be viewed from the underside of the bridge.

The 1956 steel girder bridge construction facilitated a widening on both sides of the existing two-lane road. Currently, MD 5 remains a two-lane road, however full lane width, paved shoulders run along either side, providing a pull-over space and allowing for future roadway upgrades.

Bridge 1800600 is not associated with significant historical events (Criteria A) or linked to significant individuals (Criteria B). An archeological field investigation and research revealed that the structure will not likely provide any

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Comments: _____

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intact, significant, archeological resources (Criteria D). And, since all evidence (with the exception of the underside of some concrete girders) of the 1950 design and structure is gone, the bridge no longer exhibits significance for method of construction and craftsmanship (Criteria C). In addition, the bridge lacks the integrity necessary to be considered eligible for the National Register. Bridge 1800600 has suffered a major addition and alteration through the 1956 reconstruction. While it does retain the concrete girders from the 1950 structure, these are not evident and no other features remain. Thus, the bridge does retain location, but the setting has changed and it lacks design, material, workmanship, and feeling aspects. Finally, since the current structure consists of a 1956 steel girder bridge, Criteria Consideration G requires review. However, Bridge 1800600 does not exhibit exception significance as a structure that is less than fifty-years-old. None of the other Criteria Considerations apply or warrant review.

Given these consideration, Bridge 1800600 is not eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places.

PRESERVATION VISION 2000; THE MARYLAND PLAN**STATEWIDE HISTORIC CONTEXTS****I. Geographic Region:**

- ☐ Eastern Shore (all Eastern Shore counties, and Cecil)
☒ Western Shore (Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles,
Prince George's and St. Mary's)
☐ Piedmont (Baltimore City, Baltimore, Carroll,
Frederick, Harford, Howard, Montgomery)
☐ Western Maryland (Allegany, Garrett and Washington)

II. Chronological/Developmental Periods:

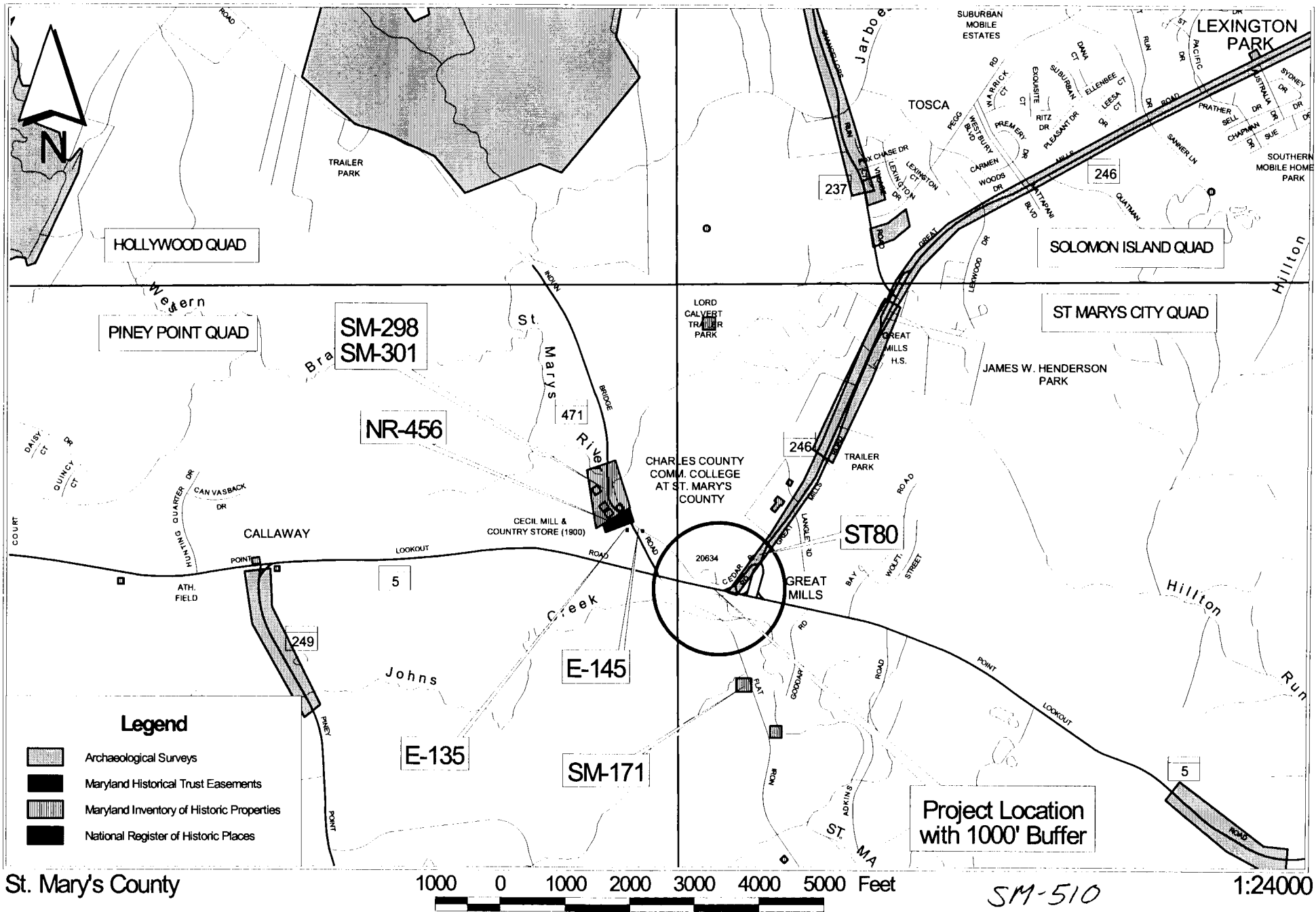
- ☐ Rural Agrarian Intensification A.D. 1680-1815
☐ Agricultural-Industrial Transition A.D. 1815-1870
☐ Industrial/Urban Dominance A.D. 1870-1930
☒ Modern Period A.D. 1930- Present
☐ Unknown Prehistoric
☐ Unknown Historic

IV. Historic Period Themes:

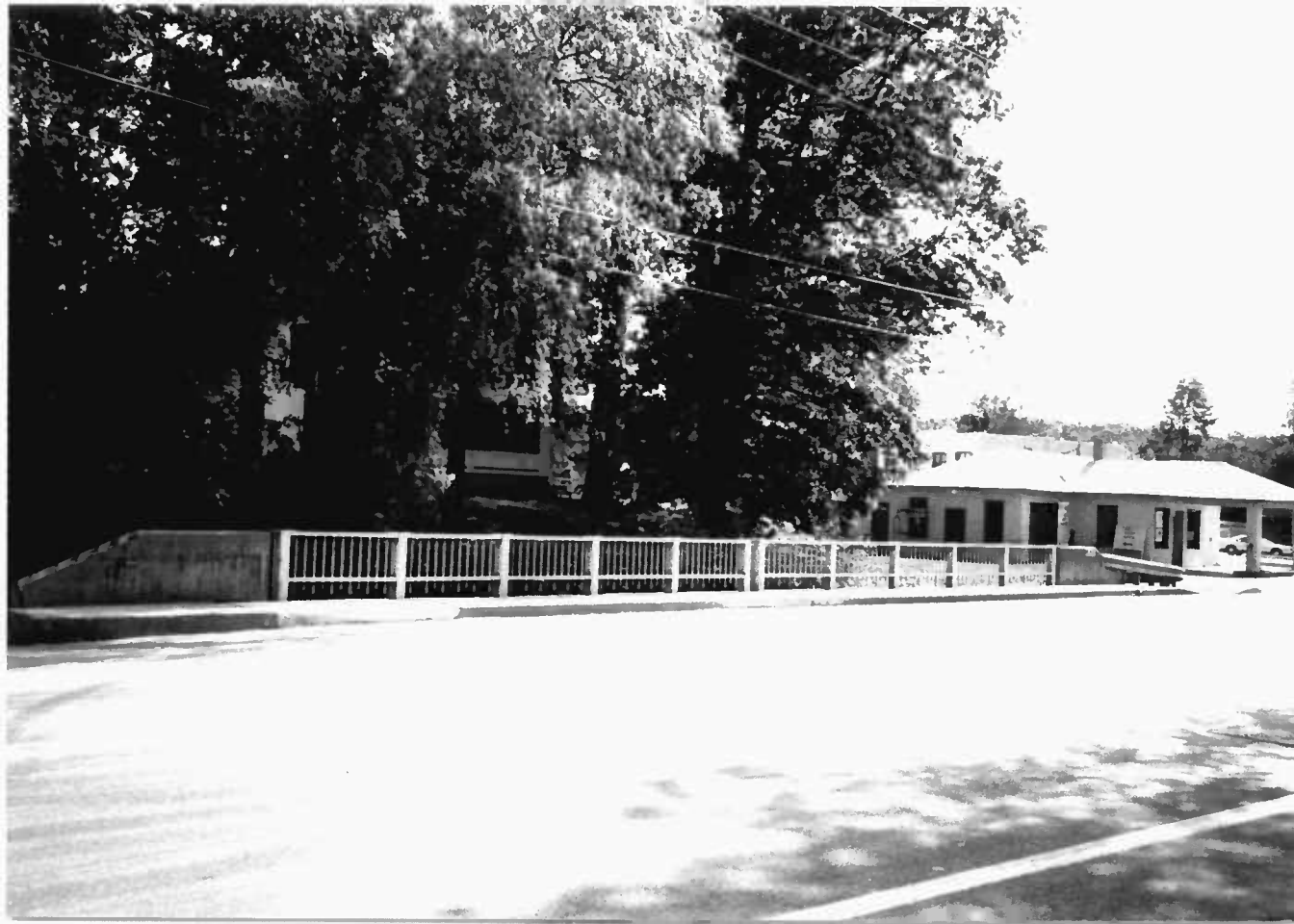
- ☐ Agriculture
☐ Architecture, Landscape Architecture,
and Community Planning
☐ Economic (Commercial and Industrial)
☐ Government/Law
☐ Military
☐ Religion
☐ Social Educational/Cultural
☒ Transportation

V. Resource Type:Category: StructureHistoric environment: VillageHistoric Function(s) and Use(s): Transportation/road-relatedKnown Design Source: None

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1. 5/11-5/16

2. Bridge location

3. 5/11-5/16 at the River

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7. 5/11-5/16 at the River

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